

STATE OF MINNESOTA

DISTRICT COURT

COUNTY OF HENNEPIN

FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case Type: Contract

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City of Long Lake,

Court File No. 27-CV-23-9758

Plaintiff,

The Hon. Laurie J. Miller

vs.

City of Orono,

Defendant.

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**DECLARATION OF ADAM T. EDWARDS**

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I, **ADAM T. EDWARDS**, declare under penalty of perjury per Minn. Stat. § 358.116 that the following is true and correct:

1. I am the City Administrator for the City of Orono. I have personal knowledge of the facts contained herein.

2. Prior to 2001, the Long Lake Fire Department was located at 1944 Park Avenue, Long Lake, Minnesota. In 2001, the Minnesota Department of Transportation condemned the land where the Long Lake Fire Department was located. A new fire station was built at 340 Willow Drive, Orono, Minnesota.

3. In August 2001, Long Lake and Orono entered into a Contract for Joint Ownership for a new Long Lake Fire Station ("Fire Station 1"). Orono and Long Lake currently each own 50 percent of Fire Station 1.

4. In October 2002, Orono, Medina, and Long Lake entered into an Agreement and Contract for Fire Protection in connection with Fire Station 1.
5. The Contract for Fire Protection covers the period January 1, 2002 through December 31, 2020. Pursuant to the contract, it was extended until December 31, 2025.
6. In December 2011, Orono and Long Lake entered into an Addendum to the Contract for Fire Protection to include the newly built, Fire Station 2. The intent of the parties was to enter the contract to provide services to the Navarre area.
7. Fire Station 2 is owned by Orono outright.
8. In 2017, Orono expressed their interest to Long Lake to take over the operations of the Fire Department. Long Lake was not in agreement.
9. In April 2021, Orono served Long Lake with a Notice of Termination to terminate the Contract for Fire Protection stating the contract shall terminate on its expiration date of December 31, 2025.
10. In April 2021, Orono served Long Lake with a Notice of Termination to terminate the Contract for Joint Ownership of Fire Station 1, giving notice the contract would terminate on its expiration date of December 31, 2025.
11. In September 2022, Orono City Council passed a resolution to establish the Orono Fire Department.
12. In anticipation of providing its own fire protection services, Orono bought a ladder truck in October 2022. Orono offered to provide the vehicle to Long Lake Fire Department for use or until the contract ended. Orono also coordinated with the Long

Lake Fire Department Chief on the refurbishment needed so the vehicle would meet Long Lake Fire Department's specification and needs.

**13.** Orono posted a job opening for Fire Chief. There were fifteen applicants and Orono interviewed six in the initial round of interviews and conducted final interviews for four candidates. In December 2022, the Orono hired James Van Eyll.

**14.** On June 12, 2023, Orono City Council adopted Resolution 7374. A true and accurate copy of Resolution 7374 is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

**15.** On June 12, 2023, Orono City Council adopted Resolution 7375. A true 7375 is attached hereto as Exhibit B.

**16.** On June 15, 2023, Orono served Long Lake and Medina with a Notice of Adjustment to reduce its City Fire Service Area for the contract year beginning July 1, 2024. A true and accurate copy of the letter is attached hereto as Exhibit C.

**17.** Orono will continue to fulfill its obligations to the Contract for Fire Protection.

**18.** Orono did reject the Capital Improvement Plan submitted in 2022 as allowed by the Contract for Fire Protection. Orono City Council did say it was committed to providing the Long Lake Fire Department the equipment it needed and would review capital purchase proposals on a case-by-case basis. As an example, a new command vehicle was approved for purchase under the contract in the fall of 2022 and another provided solely by Orono.

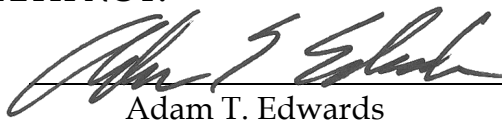
19. Orono will consider the purchase of equipment necessary for Long Lake to fulfill its obligations under the Contract for Fire Protection and let Long Lake use it throughout the duration of the contract.

20. Fire Station 1 is a declared Polling Place for the City of Orono.

21. Orono's Police Department also uses Fire Station 2 for administrative reasons.

**FURTHER THIS DECLARANT SAYETH NOT.**

Dated: 29 June 2023

  
Adam T. Edwards

I declare under penalty of perjury, per Minn. Stat. § 358.116, that everything that I have stated in this document is true and correct.

STATE OF MINNESOTA )  
  ):ss.  
COUNTY OF HENNEPIN )



# **EXHIBIT A**



**CITY OF ORONO**  
RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
**No. 7374**

**RESOLUTION FOR THE REMOVAL NAVARRE SERVICE AREA FROM THE LONG LAKE  
FIRE DEPARTMENT SERVICE AREA AND RESUMPTION OF ORONO CONTROL AND  
OPERATION OF THE NAVARRE FIRE STATION**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Orono ("City") must prepare for the end of the fire service contract with the Cities of Medina and Long Lake December 31, 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, the City must provide fire service coverage for its citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, The City Council wishes to move forward with a phased approach to the establishment of Orono Fire Service beginning in July of 2024.

**WHEREAS**, The Current Long Lake Fire Service Contact provides for the adjustment of the fire service area.

**WHEREAS**, Navarre Fire Station (Station 2) was built for the sole purpose to service the citizens of Orono and the Station 2 call area; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
ORONO, MINNESOTA:**

1. The City of Orono will assume responsibility for the Navarre Fire Service Area beginning on no later than July 1, 2024. Further City Staff is directed to formally notify Long Lake and Medina of this change by July 1, 2023 per the current contract.
2. The City of Orono will resume responsibility for the operation and maintenance of the Navarre Fire Station no later than July 1, 2024. Further City Staff is directed to formally notify Long Lake and Medina of this change by July 1, 2023 and coordinate with the Long Lake Fire department for a smooth transition.

**ADOPTED** this 12th day of June, 2023, by the City Council of the City of Orono.

**CITY OF ORONO**

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Dennis Walsh, Mayor

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Anna Carlson, City Clerk

## **EXHIBIT B**



**CITY OF ORONO**  
RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
No. **7375**

**RESOLUTION FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE ORONO MUNICIPAL FIRE  
DEPARTMENT WITH A PHASED IN TIMELINE BEGINNING IN 2024**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Orono ("City") must prepare for the end of the fire service contract with the Cities of Medina and Long Lake December 31, 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, the City must provide fire service and EMS coverage for its citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, the City will establish municipal fire department; and

**WHEREAS**, The City has completed as Fire Needs Analysis to inform the development of the new fire department.

**WHEREAS**, The City Council wishes to move forward with a phased approach to the establishment of Orono Fire Service beginning in July of 2024.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
ORONO, MINNESOTA:**

1. The City of Orono will stand up a Fully functional Fire department capable of providing Service to the current Navarre service area no later than July 1, 2024 and the entirety of the city of Orono no later than December, 31 2025.
2. The City of Orono does adopt a response guideline based on the National Fire Protection Agency Suburban Demand Zone as the response standard for the Orono Fire Department.
3. The City of Orono will establish a Fire Department Organizational structure consisting of a combination of fulltime, Paid on Call and daytime duty crews staffing in order to achieve the established response standard.
4. The City of Orono wishes to work with their surrounding area cities by offering out a fee for service contract for fire service. For any Fire service contracts the City will use the League of Minnesota Cities formula of 1/3 land value + 1/3 population + 1/3 call hours for a cost distribution formula for fire service.
5. Orono City Staff is directed to do the following:
  - a. Initiate the apparatus and equipment procurement process capital plan for fire equipment in 2023 for delivery in 2024 and 2025.



**CITY OF ORONO**  
RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
No. **7375**

- b. Coordinate with Long Lake Fire department and City Staff on the disposition of Fire Station 1, the fleet and donated fleet items, and the SCBAs, turnout gear, tools and small equipment.
- c. Develop Fire Department Organization framework including position descriptions, wage scales and benefits plans.
- d. Incorporate Fire Department operating costs into the 2024 budget process.
- e. Request architect design proposals for the remodel of the old public works building for potential use as a fire station and a facility study on the existing fire stations.

**ADOPTED** this 12<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2023, by the City Council of the City of Orono.

**CITY OF ORONO**

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Dennis Walsh, Mayor

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Anna Carlson*

Anna Carlson, City Clerk

# EXHIBIT C



# CITY OF ORONO

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15 June 2023

Long Lake City Administrator Scott Weske  
City of Long Lake  
450 Virginia Avenue  
PO Box 606  
Long Lake, MN 55356

Medina City Administrator Scott Johnson  
2052 County Road 24  
Medina, MN 55340

## **RE: NOTICE OF ADJUSTMENT TO CITY FIRE SERVICE AREA PURSUANT TO AGREEMENT AND CONTRACT FOR FIRE PROTECTION**

Dear City Administrator Weske and City Administrator Johnson:

The City of Orono services this **Notice of Adjustment** to alter the City Fire Service Area pursuant to the Agreement and Contract for Fire Protection dated October 15, 2002 [hereinafter: the Contract] section 21. For your convenience, a copy of the Contract is attached at Exhibit B. Section 21 of the Second Contract provides that:

In the event that a Contracting City wishes to decrease and/or alter the location of its City Fire Service Area it may do so by specifying those changes in writing by July 1 of the year prior to the contract year with respect to which such change is to be effective.

**Accordingly, the City of Orono hereby specifies and notifies the City of Long Lake and the City of Medina that it shall reduce its City Fire Service Area for the contract year beginning July 1, 2024.**

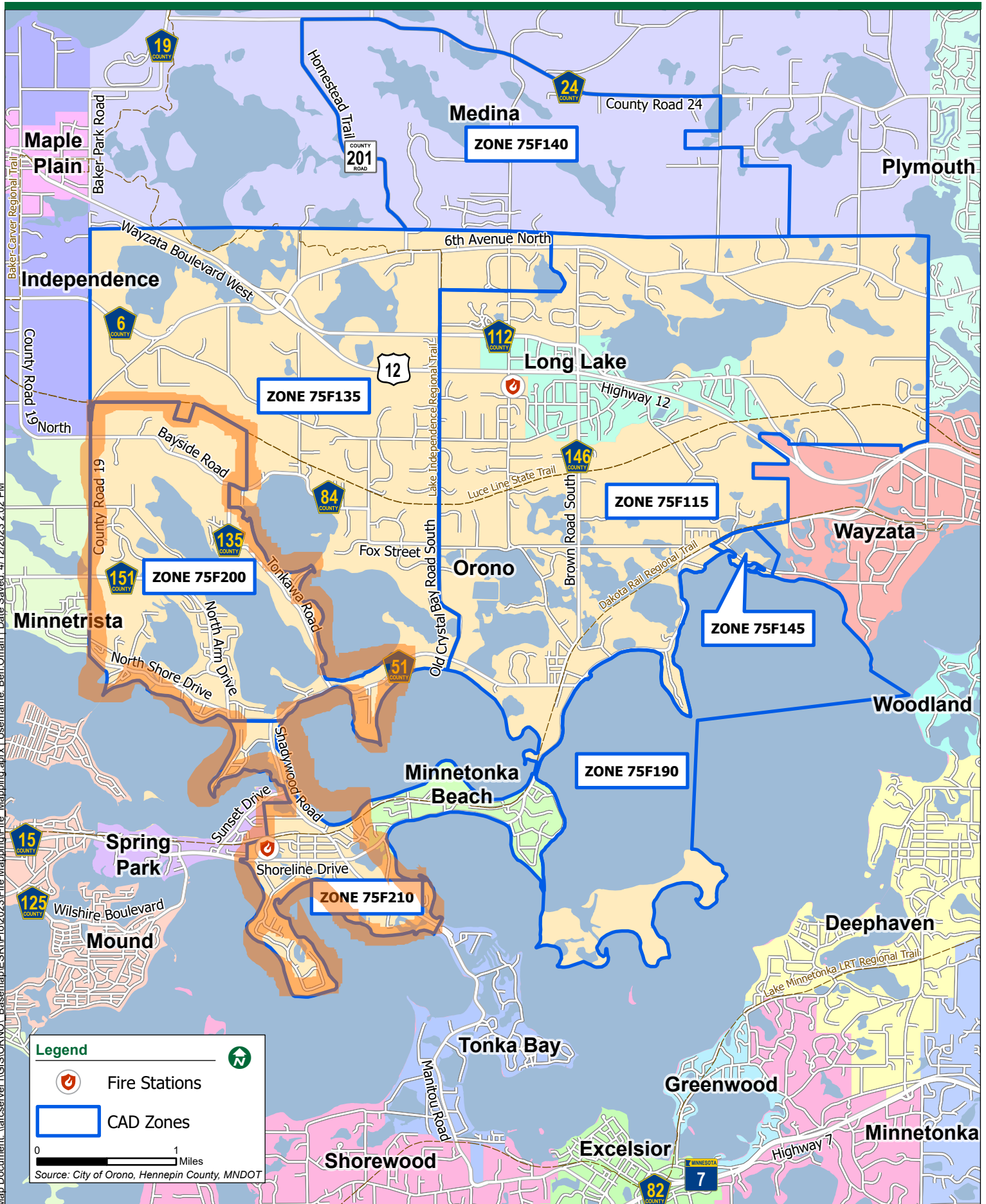
Beginning July 1, 2024, the City Fire Service Area for the City of Orono shall be as depicted in the map attached here as Exhibit A. The area of Orono removed from the LLFD service area is identified by orange highlighter and consists of CAD zones 75F200 and 75F210.

Please contact me with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Adam Edwards  
City Administrator







## AGREEMENT AND CONTRACT FOR FIRE PROTECTION

**THIS AGREEMENT AND CONTRACT** made and entered into this 15 day of October, 2002 by and between the City of Long Lake a municipal corporation of the County of Hennepin and State of Minnesota (hereinafter referred to as Long Lake), the City of Orono, a municipal corporation of the County of Hennepin and State of Minnesota (hereinafter referred to as the Contracting City), and the City of Medina, a municipal corporation of the County of Hennepin and State of Minnesota (hereinafter referred to as the Contracting City), and witnesseth:

**WHEREAS**, the City of Long Lake has the facilities and equipment and is willing and able to provide fire protection service to the Contracting City, and

**WHEREAS**, the Contracting City does desire to have fire protection service furnished by the City of Long Lake Fire Department.

**NOW, THEREFORE** in consideration of the covenants herein contained the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. Definitions

- A. The term Contracting City or the Contracting Cities means any city which is a party to this Agreement or similar Agreement which by its terms is interrelated with this Agreement for the purposes of sharing the costs and the services of fire protection provided by the Long Lake Fire Department. The Contracting Cities are Orono, Medina and Long Lake.
- B. City Fire Service Area is the area within a Contracting City receiving fire protection from the Long Lake Fire Department. (City Fire Service areas are shown in Appendix A. attached.) The Total Fire Service Area is the sum of all City Fire Service Areas.

2. Services to be Rendered

During the term of this agreement Long Lake shall furnish all the fire fighting services, rescue/medical rescue services, and related fire protection services to the Contracting Cities for the Total Fire Service Area outlined in red on the attached map marked Exhibit A hereinafter referred to as "The Total Fire Service Area." All of said Total Fire Service Area is located within the corporate limits of the Contracting Cities.

3. Level of Service

Long Lake through its fire department shall endeavor to provide the services listed in paragraph 2 above, including but not limited to, protecting and saving life and property from destruction by fire in the City Fire Service Area of each Contracting City to the

same extent as it does within the City Fire Service Area of Long Lake. In the event of two fire calls received within the same time frame, the call first received shall have priority and the second call shall be answered as soon as possible. Long Lake will furnish sufficient staff to each call to safely, legally and effectively operate all necessary vehicles and equipment and provide all necessary services.

4. Command Responsibility

Subject to the terms of this agreement, the Fire Chief of Long Lake or the Chief's designee shall have the sole and exclusive right and responsibility to prescribe the manner and method of giving the alarm for fire within the Total Fire Service Area and to prescribe the manner and method of responding to calls and rendering the services contemplated. The said Fire Chief or designee shall immediately upon arriving at the scene of any alarm or fire emergency have the sole and exclusive responsibility and authority to direct and control any and all fire fighting and the emergency operations at such scene or scenes.

5. Volunteer Fire Fighters of the City of Long Lake

Personnel assigned to provide fire protection services in the Contracting Cities shall be volunteer firefighters of the City of Long Lake, which City shall assume all obligations with regard to Worker's Compensation, Firemen's Relief Association, withholding tax, insurance, etc. for such volunteer firefighters, if any.

The cost of such obligations shall be a part of the costs attributed to the operation of the Long Lake Fire Department and will be included in the Annual Fire Services Budget Package.

6. Nature of Long Lake Undertaking

In no event shall this agreement be construed to fix upon Long Lake any responsibility or liability to the Contracting Cities or to third parties which are greater or different in kind than the responsibilities and liabilities borne by the Contracting Cities if they were providing such services through their own fire departments.

7. Liability Insurance

Long Lake shall carry liability insurance in an amount no less than \$1,800,000.00 protecting itself and the other Contracting Cities against damage claims of its fire fighters for personal injury sustained while in service within the said limits of the Contracting Cities as hereto set forth. The amount of the insurance coverage shall be reviewed annually and if determined to be inadequate the amount of the coverage shall be adjusted accordingly. And further, Long Lake shall carry liability insurance in an amount no less than \$1,800,000.00 saving the contracting cities harmless so far as acts of the City of Long Lake, its fire department and its fire fighters are concerned. The City of Long Lake shall review the amount of the coverage annually and if determined to be inadequate, the

amount of the coverage shall be adjusted accordingly. The cost of such insurance shall be a part of the costs attributed to the operation of the Long Lake Fire Department and will be included in the Annual Operating Budget. Nothing in this contract shall be construed as waiving the statutory liability limits of any city, which is a party to this contract.

8. Long Lake Operational Responsibility

The City of Long Lake shall be responsible for managing the operation of the Long Lake Fire Department, and for managing the on-going operation and maintenance of the Long Lake fire station. This includes carrying builders risk insurance during construction of the new Fire Station and carrying hazard insurance on the Fire Station thereafter. Long Lake shall charge an annual Administrative Fee for these services. The Administrative Fee of \$17,200 for 2002 includes Long Lake's administrative overhead expenses. The Administrative Fees may be adjusted from year to year through the Annual Fire Services Operating Budget review and approval process. The costs related to the operation of the Fire Department, including the on-going operation and maintenance of the Fire Station, shall be included in the Annual Fire Services Operating Budget.

9. Budget Package

The Long Lake Fire Department's annual operating expenditures will be controlled through an Annual Fire Services Operating Budget. When the Annual Fire Services Operating Budget is approved, the expenditures may not exceed the level set in the Budget without the approval of all parties to the contract. If, during the 20-year term of the agreement, a Contracting City chooses not to approve a proposed Annual Fire Services Operating Budget, the Annual Fire Service Operating Budget increase will be limited to the average annual General Fund Budget increase of the Contracting Cities, until a new Annual Fire Services Operating Budget is approved by all Contracting Cities.

9.1 Definitions

- A. The Annual Fire Services Operating Budget refers to the calendar year operating budget of the Long Lake Fire Department. This budget will become the official Annual Fire Services Operating Budget upon ratification by the Contracting Cities. The Annual Fire Services Operating Budget incorporates all costs of departmental operations including, but not limited to, the costs of the on-going operation and maintenance of the fire station, Long Lake's Administrative Fee as defined in Section 8 of this Agreement, and annual contributions to the Long Lake Volunteer Fire Relief Association Retirement Fund.
- B. The Annual Fire Services Capital Budget refers to the calendar year capital budget of the Long Lake Fire Department. The Annual Fire Services Capital Budget includes Major Equipment items and major repairs/rehabilitation of the Fire Station.



## 9.2 Budget Process

By August 15 of each year during which this agreement remains in effect, the City of Long Lake will provide an Annual Fire Services Operating Budget and an Annual Fire Services Capital Budget covering the costs related to the provision of fire protection for the next year. The budgets presented to the Contracting cities must have been presented to the Joint Advisory Committee prior to August 1 for discussion and review. Although it is expected that the Annual Fire Services Operating and Capital Budgets which are provided to the Contracting Cities by the City of Long Lake will have the consensus support of the Joint Advisory Committee, that is not a requirement since each Contracting City has the opportunity for final ratification or rejection.

## 10. Term of this Agreement

This Agreement covers the period January 1, 2002 through December 31, 2020. A contract year covers the period January 1 through December 31 of a calendar year.

This Agreement will become effective upon ratification by the Contracting Cities. The term of this agreement will be extended for a period of five years unless this Agreement is terminated as provided in Section 20 of the Agreement.

## 11. Capital Expenditures

Capital expenditures include major equipment and major maintenance, repair, or rehabilitation to the fire station. Major equipment is defined as "rolling stock" or similar major equipment assets required for performing the fire department mission in the Fire Protection Area. To qualify as major equipment, such assets must have an initial purchase value of at least \$10,000. To qualify as major maintenance, repair, or rehabilitation, the cost must be at least \$10,000.

The City of Long Lake and the Long Lake Fire Department shall prepare a 15-year major equipment replacement plan, and a 15-year plan for major maintenance, repair, or rehabilitation items related to the fire station. These 15-year plans will be the basis for the preparation of an annual capital budget. Neither the approval nor lack of disapproval of the 15-year plans by the Contract Cities creates any obligation for final approval or funding of any specific capital expenditure. Final approval of capital expenditures occurs as part of the Annual Fire Services Capital Budget approval process.

Capital expenditures must be approved by a minimum of two cities and the combined funding shares of the two cities must be greater than 60%. Once this level of approval is obtained, all Contract Cities are obligated to fund their share of the expenditures.

The final approval of capital expenditures occurs as part of the Annual Fire Services Capital Budget approval process. When a city approves the Annual Fire Services Capital Budget, the city is also agreeing to pay its share of the cost of capital expenditures

included in the Annual Fire Services Capital Budget up to the budgeted amount, for the items budgeted.

Each Contracting City agrees to maintain its own fund for capital expenditures. When a capital expenditure is to be made, the following process for sharing the funding will be used:

- A. Long Lake will have the option of funding any percentage of the total, which is equal to or greater than the average of its last three City Budget Percentages including the current calendar year.
- B. Orono will have the option of funding the remaining amount. If Medina does not wish to fund the total of the remaining amount, it must fund at least the average of its last three City Budget Percentages including the current calendar year and may fund more if it chooses.
- C. Medina will fund the balance remaining to be funded after Long Lake and Orono have specified their funding amounts.

11.1. Disposition of Major Equipment Upon Termination

In the event that this Agreement is terminated as provided in section 20 of this Agreement, Long Lake will have the right to purchase each Contracting City's ownership share of each Major Equipment item for cash at the original amount funded by that city. In the event Long Lake does not exercise its right to acquire the major equipment items within sixty (60) days of termination, it will have waived its right to acquire full title to the equipment. If Long Lake waives its right to acquire full title to a particular Major Equipment item, the Contracting City with the largest ownership share of that item shall have the right to acquire full title to the item by paying the amount funded by each of the other Contracting Cities. If that City declines to acquire full title, the remaining Contracting City may acquire title on the same terms. In the event that no Contracting City wishes to acquire full title to a particular Major Equipment item, it shall be sold and the proceeds of the sale divided between the Contracting Cities pro-rata to their original funding. All Major Equipment items funded during the term of the contract, including extensions, will be covered by this terminating procedure.

The dissolution language applies to all equipment purchased, and fund balances accrued, since January 1 of 1993. This language is not intended to address any claim cities may have regarding equipment purchased prior to January 1, 1993.

No contracting city shall have the right to transfer or encumber any major equipment purchased after January 1, 1993.

12. Emergency Expenditures

When there is a need for emergency major equipment repair or emergency building repair, or other emergency need that will have a substantial negative impact on the operational capabilities and/or safety of the firefighters or of the fire station if not immediately addressed, the emergency expenditures may be authorized by the Long Lake City Administrator and the Long Lake Fire Chief, or their designees. If these costs exceed the approved budget amounts, the Long Lake City Administrator and/or the Fire Chief will, within thirty days of the expenditures, notify the Contracting Cities of the expenditure, including an explanation of the emergency need. Emergency expenditures will be shared according to the cost sharing formula set out in this contract. Any reimbursement of the emergency expenditures through insurance, emergency/disaster assistance funding, or other sources will be credited to the Contract Cities in the same manner as the costs were shared.

13. Annual Audit of Actual Costs

The Contracting City understands and agrees that it is impossible to project with complete accuracy the actual costs of labor and equipment as well as the service to be required by each Contracting City for the forthcoming contract year and thereby hereby agrees to a yearly audit to adjust the prior year's estimated cost of service as set forth above to the actual costs incurred by the City of Long Lake. On or before April 30th of each year the City of Long Lake will tabulate the actual cost of the fire department budget for the prior contract year and will submit to the Contracting Cities a summary of the actual costs. The actual costs set forth for the prior contract year may result in either a surplus or deficit with respect to that year's Annual Operating Budget. Any surplus shall be refunded to the contract cities in the same ratio as the cost allocation formula. Any deficit shall be funded by the contract cities in the same ratio as the cost allocation formula. It is expected that expenditures will remain within the Annual Operating Budget amounts and will only exceed such budget amounts in the case of an emergency expenditure as provided in Section 12 or when mutually agreed to by the Contracting Cities as provided in Section 14 of this Agreement.

14. Unforecasted Expenditures

Notwithstanding any of the above, the Contracting Cities shall have the right to be heard regarding any proposed expenditures which are not identified in the Annual Operating Budget and which exceed \$5,000. Notice of such proposed, non-budgeted expenditures shall be given in writing to the Contracting Cities prior to actual expenditures for such items and the Contracting cities shall thereafter have 21 days in which to approve or disapprove the same in writing and if there is no response which disapproves the expenditure, it is agreed that such proposed expenditures may be made and the cost thereof shall be included in the Annual Operating Budget as if ratified originally.

15. Contract Payments

The City Budget Share (See Section 16.2) of each Contracting City shall be paid in equal quarterly installments on January 1, April 1, July 1 and October 1 of the next contract year by the Contracting City to the City of Long Lake.

Long Lake agrees to provide each Contracting City with reasonably detailed information relating to the actual expenditures against the Annual Operating Budget at its request and on a quarterly basis and agrees to make its records available to the Contracting City for inspection for the purpose of determining the basis for the allocation of costs to fire protection.

16. Arbitration

If a Contracting City is aggrieved by the determination of the City of Long Lake as to the allocation of the actual costs of the prior year's service, the Contracting City may appeal said determination within 30 days after receipt of the City of Long Lake's audit. Said appeal shall be in writing and shall be addressed to the City of Long Lake asking for arbitration by a board of arbitration. The Board of Arbitration shall consist of three persons; one to be appointed by the City of Long Lake, one to be appointed by the appealing Contracting City, and the third to be appointed by the two so selected. The name of each arbitrator shall be submitted in writing to the other party. In the event that the two arbitrators so selected do not appoint the third arbitrator within 15 days after receipt of written notice of appointment of either of the first two arbitrators, the Chief Judge of the District Court of Hennepin County shall have jurisdiction to appoint, upon application of either the Contracting Cities or the appealing Contracting City, the third arbitrator to the Board. The third arbitrator selected shall not be a resident of either Contracting City, and shall be a city manager or administrator. The arbitrator's expenses, not including counsel fees, incurred in the conduct of the arbitration, shall be divided equally between the parties to the arbitration. Arbitration shall be conducted in accordance with the Uniform Arbitration act, Chapter 572 of the Minnesota Statutes, and any decision shall be rendered within 60 days of appointment of the third arbitrator. Said arbitration shall be binding on both parties.

17. Special Fire Funds

In order to facilitate the accounting and reporting of all fire funds associated with the Annual Operating Budget, a Fire Operating Fund will be maintained by the City of Long Lake. No Major Equipment Fund will be maintained by the City of Long Lake on behalf of the Contracting Cities as a part of this agreement since under the provisions of Section 11 each Contracting City agrees to maintain an Equipment Fund on its own.

18. Fire Services Joint Advisory Committee

Each Contracting City may appoint two volunteer members to a Fire Services Joint Advisory Committee and the name of such appointees shall be furnished to Long Lake. The Fire Services Joint Advisory Committee shall meet no less than four times per year to discuss and make recommendations regarding concerns or problems identified regarding the provision of fire service, and to periodically review budget updates. The Fire Services Joint Advisory Committee shall have the specific task of reviewing the Fire Department's operating and capital budget proposals for the next calendar year and arriving at a consensus Annual Fire Services Operating Budget and Annual Fire Services Capital Budget by August 15 of each calendar year.

19. Cost Sharing Formula

Each of the Contracting Cities receiving fire service from the Long Lake Fire Department shall pay a share of the costs of the Annual Fire Services Operating and Capital Budgets. The City's Budget Share will be based upon a formula, which takes into account the Market Value of the protected property and the fire department staff resources utilized to protect the property. The objective is to fairly allocate "insurance" type costs and "effort and variable" type costs. The Contracting Cities have agreed that 70% of the share allocation will be based upon Market Value and 30% upon fire department hours expended on calls to the City Fire Service Area.

19.1 Definitions:

- A. City Fire Service Area is the area within a Contracting City provided fire protection under this contract. The City Fire Service Area for each Contracting City is shown in Appendix A (attached).
- B. City Fire Service Area Market Value is the assessed market value of the property in the City Fire Service Area and is based upon the assessed market value for the year immediately preceding the budget year. The source of the assessed market value data shall be the Hennepin County Assessor's Office.
- C. Total Service Area Market Value is the sum of the City Fire Service Area Market Values of all contracting cities.
- D. City Market Percent is the percentage computed by dividing the City Fire Service Area Market Value by the Total Service Area Market Value and multiplying by 100.
- E. City Call Hours is the total number of fire fighter hours expended in responding to calls in the City Fire Service Area as recorded by The Long



Lake Fire Department during the preceding three year period measured from January 1 through December 31.

- F. Total Call Hours is the total number of fire fighter hours expended in responding to calls in all contracting cities during the previous three-year period measured from January 1 through December 31.
- G. Call Percent is the percentage computed by dividing the City Call Hours by the Total Call Hours and multiplying by 100.
- H. City Budget Percentage is the percentage derived from the sum of the City Market Percent multiplied by 0.7 and the City Call Percent multiplied by 0.3.

19.2 Budget Share Computation:

City Budget Share is the City Budget Percentage multiplied by the Annual Fire Services Operating Budget and the resulting product divided by 100.

19.3 Formulae for Calculations

- A. City Market Percent =  $(B \times 100) / (C)$  percent

Where B = City Fire Service Area Market Value  
C = Total Fire Service Area Market Value

- B. Call Percent =  $(E \times 100) / (F)$  percent

Where E = City Call Hours  
F = Total Call Hours

- C. City Budget Percentage =  $[(\text{City Market Percent} \times 0.70) + (\text{Call Percent} \times 0.30)]$

- D. City Budget Share =  $(\text{City Budget Percentage} / 100) \times (\text{Annual Operating Budget less Major Equipment expenditures})$

- E. The City Budget Share of capital expenditures is determined under the provision of Section 11.

20. Termination of this Agreement

This Agreement shall be terminable only as follows:

- 1. For "Good Cause" by any city that desires to terminate its participation in the Agreement provided that such termination is preceded by a minimum of 36-

months notice. "Good Cause" shall mean, but is not limited to, a pattern of inadequate service quality; including inadequate response to call, inadequate training, and inadequate handling of calls; and/or a pattern of budget overruns.

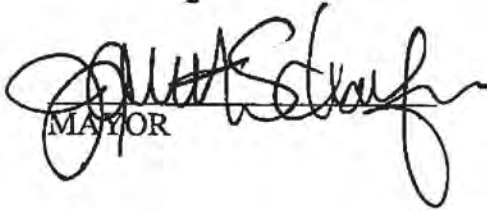
2. For breach of contract;
3. By mutual agreement of all cities covered by the agreement.
4. City of Medina may terminate its participation in this Agreement without cause, subject to providing a twenty-four month notice of termination.
5. This agreement may be renegotiated or terminated by the cities to enable participation in a fire district or similar organizational arrangement.

21. Provision to adjust City Fire Service Area

During the period of this agreement a Contracting City may request that its City Fire Service Area be reduced or increased in size. Such a request must be made prior to July 1 of the Contract Year to allow time for preparing the Annual Fire Services Budget for the succeeding Contract Year. In the event that a Contracting City proposes an increase to its City Fire Service Area, the City of Long Lake in consultation with the Long Lake Fire Department shall have the right to limit the increase to assure that coverage at the service level provided under this agreement can be achieved by the Fire Department. The service area shall not be increased to the extent that it requires the purchase of additional equipment unless all parties to the contract agree. In the event that a Contracting City wishes to decrease and/or alter the location of its City Fire Service Area it may do so by specifying those changes in writing by July 1 of the year prior to the contract year with respect to which such change is to be effective.

Approved by the Cities of Long Lake, Orono, and Medina on the date first written above.

**CITY OF LONG LAKE**

  
MAYOR

**ATTEST**

  
CITY ADMINISTRATOR

**CITY OF ORONO**

  
MAYOR

**ATTEST**

  
CITY ADMINISTRATOR

**CITY OF MEDINA**

  
MAYOR

**ATTEST**

  
CITY ADMINISTRATOR, Acting